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THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUPER HERO!

The **AMAZING SPIDER-MAN**



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WHEN PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, HE GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH, AND AGILITY OF A SPIDER; ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES; AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED "SPIDER-SENSE"! AFTER LEARNING THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY, HE BECAME THE CRIME-FIGHTING SUPER HERO CALLED...

The AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

SPIDER-MAN HAS SET HIS SIGHTS ON HIS ARCH-NEMESIS, **NORMAN OSBORN**, WHO HAS BEEN SELLING WEAPONS ON THE BLACK MARKET FOR MONTHS. HOT ON OSBORN'S TAIL, THE WALL-CRAWLER CAME FACE-TO-FACE WITH NONE OTHER THAN **SILVER SABLE!**

SABLE REVEALED THAT NORMAN HAS BEEN WORKING WITH SYMKARIAN MONARCH **COUNTESS KARKOV** TO FURTHER HIS DEVIIOUS PLAN.

PETER DECIDED TO USE HIS PARKER INDUSTRIES TECH TO INTERVENE ONCE AGAIN AND PROMISED TO ARM SABLE AND HER REVOLUTIONARIES IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR HELP CAPTURING OSBORN ONCE AND FOR ALL. BUT BY USING HIS COMPANY'S RESOURCES TO INVAD A SOVERIGN NATION, PETER HAS PUT HIMSELF AND HIS COMPANY ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH **FURY**, **MOCKINGBIRD**, AND **S.H.I.E.L.D.!**



THE OSBORN IDENTITY PART THREE: "A PRIVATE WAR"

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CASTLE KARKOV.
DEEP IN THE HEART
OF SYMKARIA.

I MUST
REMINDE YOU, MR.
OSBORN, I WAS
AGAINST PERFORMING
ANOTHER OF THESE
PROCEDURES
SO SOON.

THE MUSCLES
IN THE HUMAN
FACE WERE NOT
MEANT TO--

YES. I
HEARD YOU,
DOCTOR. GET
ON WITH IT.

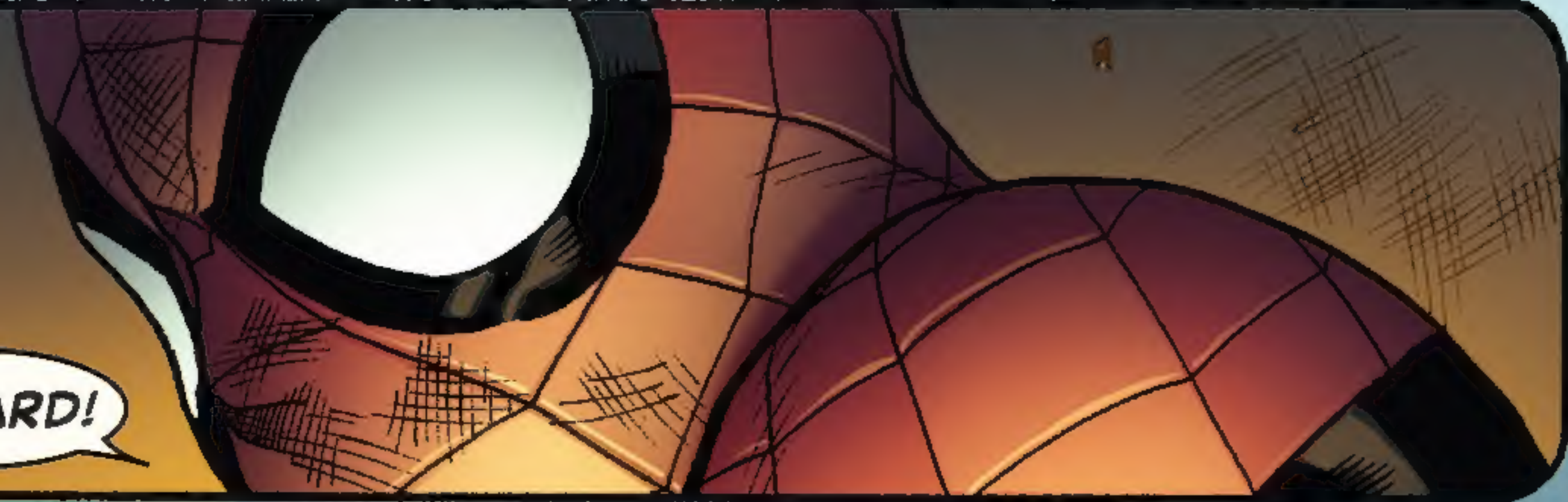
THERE COULD
BE SEVERE
COMPLICATIONS.
TELL ME, WHY WAS
IT SO URGENT
TO DO THIS
NOW?



AFRAID
TO SHOW YOUR
OWN FACE IN
PUBLIC.

OR RATHER,
AFRAID TO GO
FACE-TO-FACE
WITH ME!

COWARD!



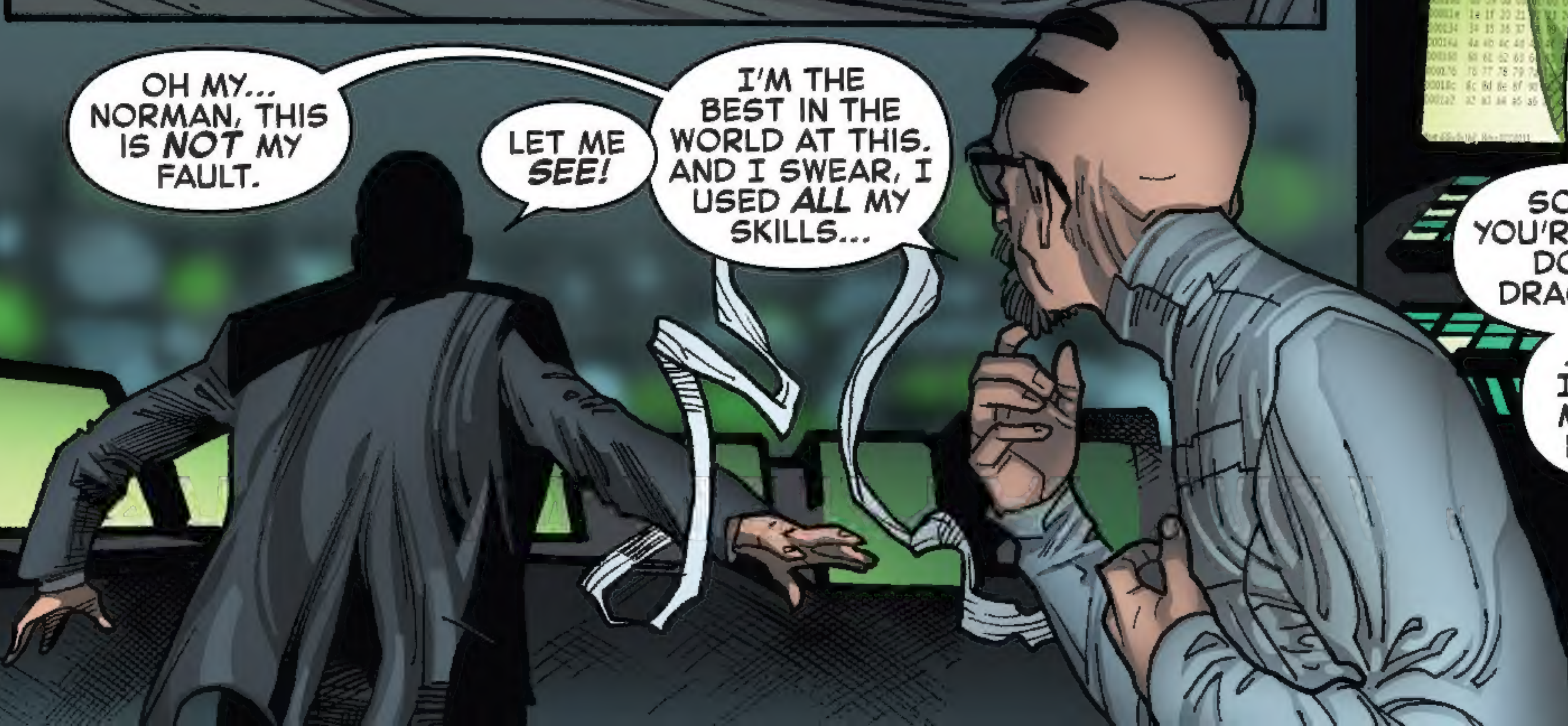
I HAVE MY
REASONS.



OH MY...
NORMAN, THIS
IS NOT MY
FAULT.

LET ME
SEE!

I'M THE
BEST IN THE
WORLD AT THIS.
AND I SWEAR, I
USED ALL MY
SKILLS...



SO WHAT
YOU'RE SAYING,
DOCTOR
DRAGOVIC...

...IS THAT
I HAVE NO
MORE USE
FOR YOU.





WHAT?!
NO! NOT IN
HERE!

ARE YOU
MAD?!

FAR
FROM IT,
DOCTOR.

AKKH
ERKK--

THAT GAS
IS A VERSION OF
MY *GOBLIN SERUM*.
LAST TIME I RAN
INTO SPIDER-MAN,
HE...

...DID
SOMETHING TO ME.
NOW I AM *IMMUNE*
TO ALL OF ITS
EFFECTS.

SO YOU
SEE, THERE'S NO
GOBLIN-MADNESS
INSIDE ME. I AM
100% *NORMAN*
OSBORN NOW.

"AND THAT
MAKES ME A FAR
MORE *DANGEROUS*
CREATURE."

NORMAN,
DEAR, HOW DID IT
GO? I WAS JUST ON
MY WAY TO SEE YOU
AND THE GOOD
DOCTOR.

TRUST ME,
COUNTS. YOU
DO NOT WANT
TO GO IN THERE.
IT'S A MESS.

AS FOR MY
LATEST CHANGE
OF FACE, YOU
TELL ME...

...HOW DO
I LOOK?





YOU LOOK LIKE THE MAN WHO HAS BROUGHT NEW LIFE TO MY COUNTRY.

A MAN WHO DESERVES RESPECT AT ALL TIMES.



THE PERFECT ANSWER.

BUT FROM YOU, COUNTESS KATARINA KARKOV, I EXPECT NO LESS. COME...



...LET US LOOK OUT ACROSS YOUR KINGDOM.

OUR KINGDOM.

SYMKARIA.

WHICH, THANKS TO YOUR INGENIOUS INVENTIONS AND REVOLUTIONARY IDEAS...



...IS NOW THE LARGEST WEAPONS MANUFACTURER IN EUROPE, IF NOT THE WORLD.



"YOU HAVE MADE MY PEOPLE STRONG AGAIN.

"ABLE TO LIFT UP THEIR HEADS WITH PRIDE AND WITHOUT FEAR."



THEY HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO SLAVES, SPIDER.

EVERY MAN, WOMAN, AND CHILD IN SYMKARIA, FORCED TO WORK IN THE FACTORIES...

...BUILDING OSBORN'S INSTRUMENTS OF DEATH.

VERY WELL.

AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE BRINGING MY SPIDER-INSTRUMENTS OF FREEDOM...

...TO, WELL, FREE THEM. I'M SOLD. ON BOARD. AND PROVIDING IT ALL FREE OF CHARGE.

SO, HUMOR ME. WE'VE GOT HOURS TILL WE LAND. FESS UP. I GOTTA KNOW. LAST TIME I SAW YOU...

...YOU WERE AS GOOD AS DEAD.* HOW IN THE WORLD DID YOU ESCAPE?

*SEE SPIDER-MAN: ENDS OF THE EARTH. --NICK.



WE WERE IN OTTO OCTAVIUS' UNDERWATER BASE, MOMENTS AWAY FROM HIM DESTROYING ALL LIFE ON EARTH...

...AND YOU WERE FACED WITH A DEVIL'S CHOICE.

"STOP THE RHINO FROM DROWNING ME..."

"...OR SAVE THE WORLD. NO CHOICE AT ALL, REALLY.

"I ORDERED YOU TO LEAVE ME TO MY FATE..."



"...BECAUSE I KNEW I HAD A WAY OUT.

"MY CLOTHES WERE COATED WITH THE SAME STEALTH TECHNOLOGY AS MY JET--THE ONE WE WERE USING AT THE TIME.

"FROM THE RHINO'S PERSPECTIVE, I VANISHED.

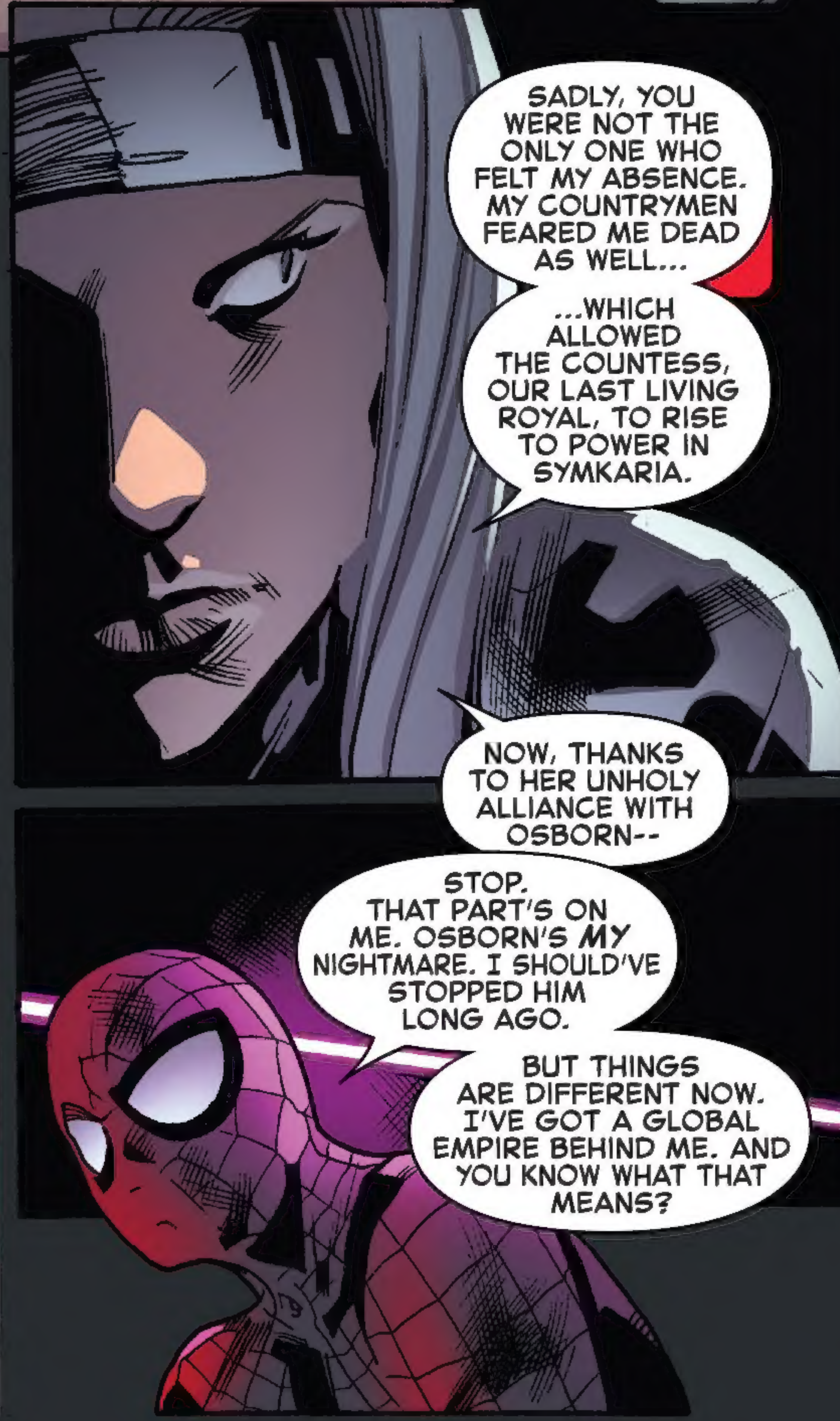
"WHICH GAVE ME ENOUGH OF AN ADVANTAGE..."



...TO BREAK FREE. FROM THAT POINT ON, WITH EVERYONE BELIEVING I WAS DEAD...

...MY ENEMIES RELAXED, MAKING IT ALL THE EASIER TO HUNT THEM DOWN. ONE BY ONE.

WOW. OKAY. I GET THAT. BUT YOU COULD'VE SENT ME A CARD OR SOMETHING.



SADLY, YOU WERE NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO FELT MY ABSENCE. MY COUNTRYMEN FEARED ME DEAD AS WELL...

...WHICH ALLOWED THE COUNTLESS, OUR LAST LIVING ROYAL, TO RISE TO POWER IN SYMKARIA.

NOW, THANKS TO HER UNHOLY ALLIANCE WITH OSBORN--

STOP. THAT PART'S ON ME. OSBORN'S MY NIGHTMARE. I SHOULD'VE STOPPED HIM LONG AGO.

BUT THINGS ARE DIFFERENT NOW. I'VE GOT A GLOBAL EMPIRE BEHIND ME. AND YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?

HE'S LOST IT! THE MAN IS OUT OF HIS DAMN MIND.

PETER PARKER! YOUR NEPHEW, MRS. PARKER. YOUR BOSS, MR. LYMAN...

...HE'S FUNDING AN INCURSION INTO A FOREIGN COUNTRY!

I'M SORRY, AGENT FURY. WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

HONG KONG.
A S.H.I.E.L.D.
HOLDING FACILITY.

NICE TRY, SILVER SPOON! S.H.I.E.L.D. HAS THE MANIFEST FOR YOUR PLANE.

THE ONE PARKER SIGNED OFF ON. WE'RE TRACKING IT NOW.

HAROLD T. LYMAN, IF THIS IS TRUE, I AM VERY DISAPPOINTED IN THE BOTH OF YOU.

THIS IS NOT SOMETHING PARKER INDUSTRIES SHOULD BE DOING. MR. FURY, I ASSURE YOU, IF SOMETHING'S WRONG...

...WE CAN HELP BRING IN AID TO THOSE POOR SYMKARIAN PEOPLE, THROUGH MY UNCLE BEN FOUNDATION.

AND WITH S.H.I.E.L.D.'S BLESSING, OF COURSE.

NO. THAT NICE OLD LADY ACT AIN'T WORKING. NOT TODAY.

C'MON, "LYMAN." THROW ME A BONE. JUST TELL ME...

...IS YOUR FATHER, NORMAN OSBORN, MIXED UP IN ALL OF THIS?

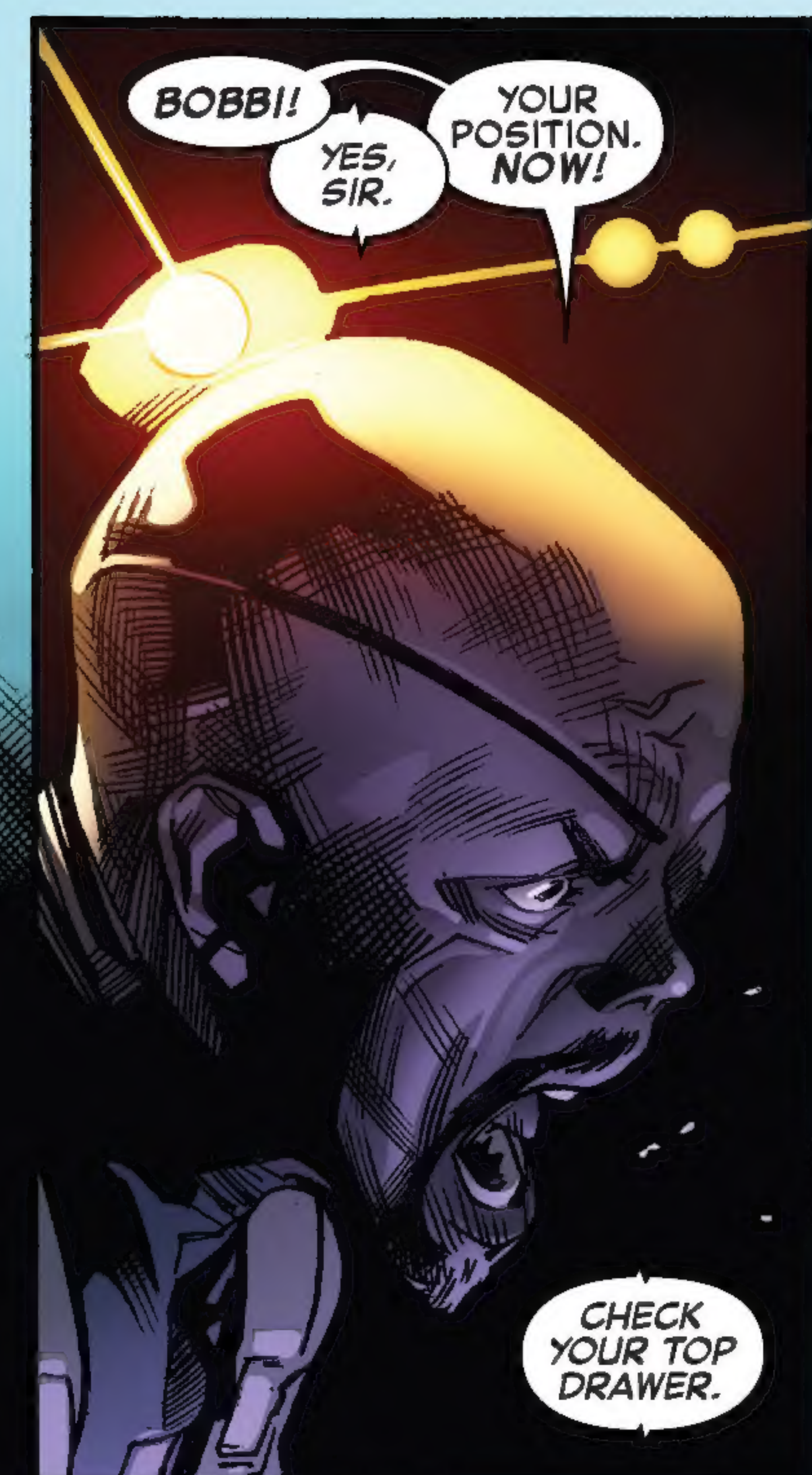
DON'T KNOW. DON'T CARE. I'VE SEVERED ALL TIES WITH THE MAN. CHANGED MY NAME. I'M FREE OF HIM.

SPEAKING OF WHICH--CAN WE GO? OR ARE YOU STILL GOING TO HOLD US AGAINST OUR WILLS?

HEY. GO WHEREVER YOU WANT. S.H.I.E.L.D.'S WORLDWIDE.

WE KNOW WHERE YOU ARE. AT ALL TIMES. ALL OF YOU.



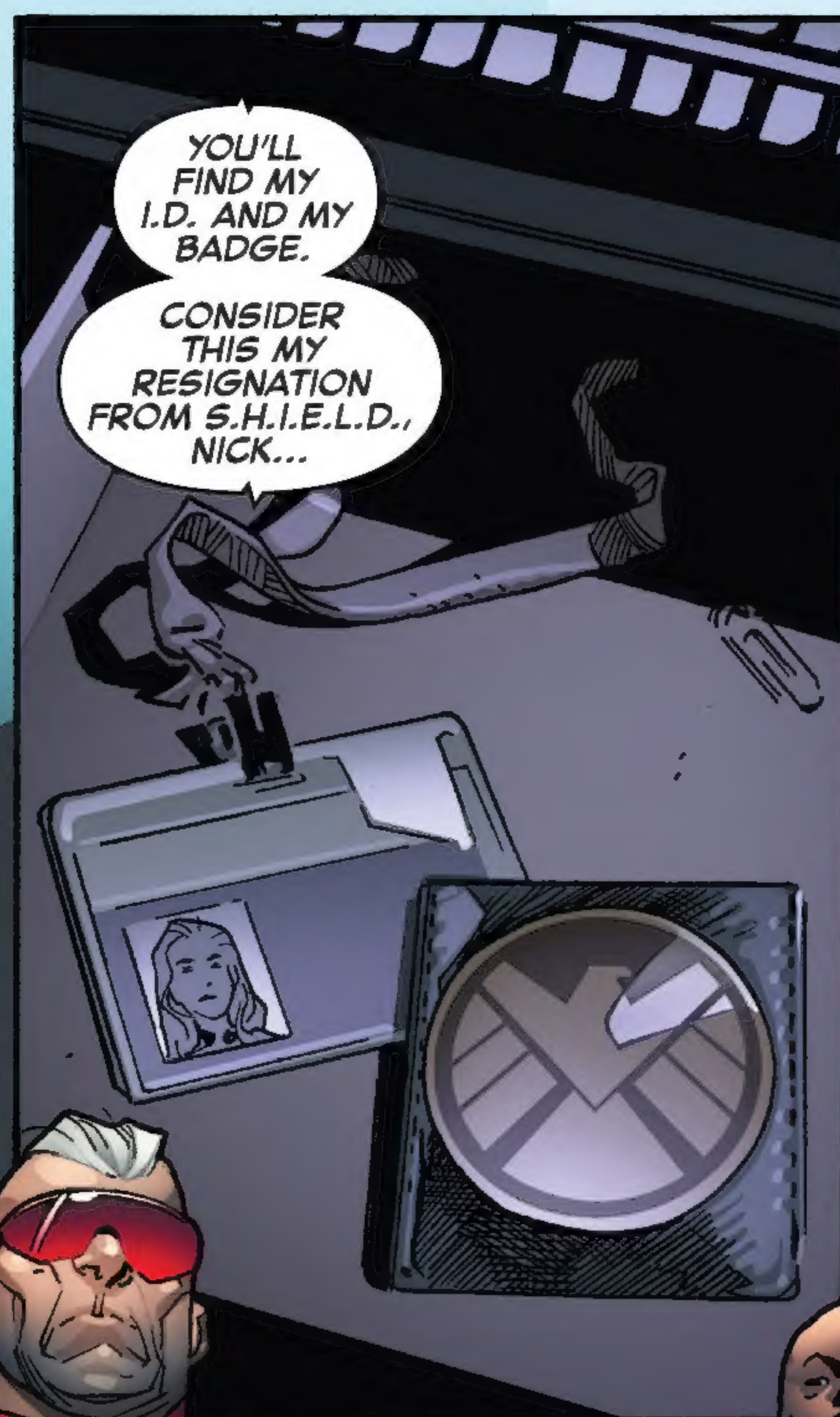


BOBBI!
YES, SIR.
YOUR POSITION. NOW!

CHECK YOUR TOP DRAWER.



SWEAR TO GOD, MORSE, UNLESS YOU GOT YOUR HANDS ON SOME PYM PARTICLES...
...AND PHYSICALLY SHRUNK YOUR ASS INSIDE HERE...
...THERE'S GONNA BE HELL TO PAY.



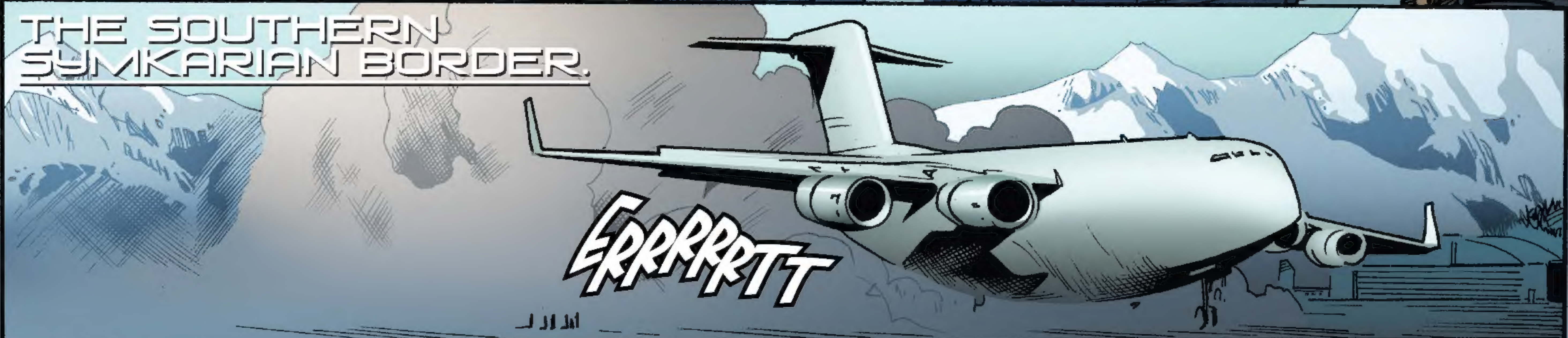
YOU'LL FIND MY I.D. AND MY BADGE.
CONSIDER THIS MY RESIGNATION FROM S.H.I.E.L.D., NICK...



...MOCKINGBIRD OUT.
WELL, THAT WAS A NICE CAREER WHILE IT LASTED.

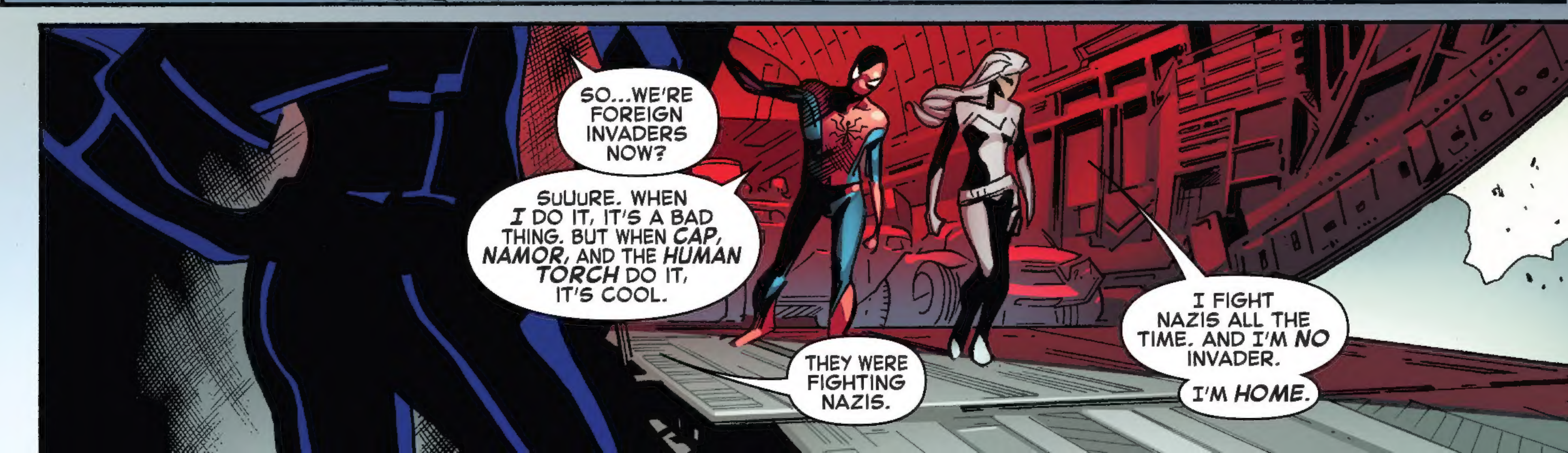
WE APPRECIATE YOUR SACRIFICE, MORSE.
I'M SURE SABLE WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO OFFER YOU A SPOT WITH US ON THE WILD PACK.

DIDN'T DO IT FOR HER. AH. HERE THEY COME NOW.



THE SOUTHERN SYMKARIAN BORDER.

ERRRRRTT



SO...WE'RE FOREIGN INVADERS NOW?
SURE. WHEN I DO IT, IT'S A BAD THING. BUT WHEN CAP, NAMOR, AND THE HUMAN TORCH DO IT, IT'S COOL.
THEY WERE FIGHTING NAZIS.
I FIGHT NAZIS ALL THE TIME. AND I'M NO INVADER.
I'M HOME.



HEY, BOBBI, THANKS FOR DOING THIS. I OWE YOU ONE.
I'VE WORKED WITH YOU LONG ENOUGH TO KNOW WHATEVER YOU'RE DOING HERE...
...YOU'RE DOING IT FOR THE RIGHT REASONS.
AWW. YOU BELIEVE IN ME.
OKAY. NOW YOU'RE MAKING IT WEIRD.



SPIDER,
COME. MEET
MY NEW **WILD
PACK**.

TANGO,
JULIET, X-RAY,
FOXTROT, AND
ROMEO.

ROMEO
AND JULIET. YOU
GUYS KNOW HOW
THAT ENDS,
RIGHT?

STOP.
THEY'RE CALL
SIGNS.

THESE ARE
MY GENERALS,
EACH LEADING THEIR
OWN BATTALION OF
FREEDOM FIGHTERS.

ALL
SYMKARIANS?



SOME.
MOST ARE
SOLDIERS FROM
AROUND THE GLOBE.
DELVADIA.
NADUA.

WAR-TORN
REGIONS THAT WANT
TO SEE OSBORN, THE
WORLD'S GREATEST
DEATH MERCHANT,
DETHRONED.

HERE'S
HOPING THIS WILL
HELP. EVERY KIND
OF SPIDER-VEHICLE
YOU GUYS COULD
WANT.

ARACHNO-
JETS. SPIDER-
CYCLES. WEB-
TANKS.

NICE. SO
WHERE ARE THE
INSTRUCTIONS?

HUH?



JUST MESSIN' WITH
YOU. IF IT DRIVES,
FLIES, OR SHOOTS,
WE KNOW HOW TO
WORK IT.

HA. OKAY,
RULE ONE--I'M
THE WACKY GUY
HERE. THAT'S
MY THING.

TRY THAT
AGAIN, AND I'M
TAKING MY TOYS
AND GOING
HOME.



TO YOU, DEAR NORMAN. THIS FACE OF YOURS, IT'S A GIFT.

INSIDE, YOU ARE BOTH FEARSOME AND INTIMIDATING. NEVER HIDE IT.

REVEL IN IT. DRAW STRENGTH FROM IT.

WELL SAID, MY KATARINA.

TO US.

TO SYMKARIA. THROUGH US, SHE'LL BE STRO--

BOOM

IT APPEARS SPIDER-MAN AND SABLE HAVE BEGUN THEIR ASSAULT SOONER THAN EXPECTED.

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE HAD THEM ATTACKING AFTER PORT AND CIGARS.

THAT BUG WILL FOREVER VEX ME.

SO WHERE ARE THEY STRIKING FIRST?

BY THE LOOKS OF IT...

MARCO, TELL CHEF WE WON'T HAVE TIME FOR DESSERT THIS EVENING.



"...OUR MAIN MUNITIONS FACTORY."

THAT'S ONE DOWN.

YOU KNOW, FOR GUYS WHO CALL THEMSELVES "THE WILD PACK," YOU ARE VERY PRECISE.

BUT MY FAVORITE BIT...

SKRT



...WE GOT ALL THE WORKERS TO THE TRANSPORTS FIRST. MWAH!

HEY, NORMIE! I KNOW YOU'RE PROBABLY WATCHING THIS.

WE COULD SAVE EVERYBODY A LOT OF TIME AND SOME MAJOR PROPERTY DAMAGE...

...IF WE JUST CUT TO THE CHASE. C'MON. YOU AND ME. MANO A MANO. WINNER TAKES ALL. WHATTYA SAY? UNLESS...

...SINCE YOU'RE NOT GREEN ANYMORE, YOU'VE GONE YELLOW.

I DON'T THINK SO, SPIDER. YOU WON'T GOAD ME SO EASILY. NEVER AGAIN.

FOR NOW I AM CONTENT TO BE THE GOOD GENERAL AND MOVE MY PIECES FROM THIS SIDE OF THE BOARD.

I'M READY FOR YOU.

TANKS. GLIDERS. GOBLINS. MOVE IN.

MY
COUNTRYMEN,
YOU KNOW
ME.

I AM A PROUD
DAUGHTER OF THESE
LANDS, A *SABLINOVA*,
SWORN DEFENDER OF
THE REALM.

I BEG YOUR
FORGIVENESS FOR
MY LONG ABSENCE,
BUT I SWEAR TO
YOU I HAVE
RETURNED...

...AND I WILL
SEE TO IT THAT
SYMKARIA IS
FREE AGAIN!

ARE
YOU WITH
ME?!

WHOA.

SABLE! SABLE! SABLE!

DON'T JUST
STAND THERE! ALL
OF YOU! WHAT SILVER
SABLE'S FRIEND
SAID. THIS WAY!
TO SAFETY!

THAT WAS AWESOME. FELT LIKE
MUSIC WAS RISING...

...SOMETHING
ANDREW LLOYD
WEBBER-Y. MAYBE
EVITA.

SPIDER, YOU'RE
RAMBLING.

I JUST
PROMISED MY
PEOPLE THEIR
FREEDOM. DON'T
MAKE A LIAR
OUT OF ME.

NEVER!

COME! THE
GOBLINS ARE
HERE. SHOW ME
I'VE PUT MY FAITH
IN THE RIGHT
MAN.

SILVER,
WHEN IT COMES
TO FIGHTING
GOBLINS...



...I'M
THE BEST
YOU CAN
GET!

GOBLIN ARMY,
SAY HELLO TO
SPIDER-MAN AND
HIS AMAZING
FRIENDS!

WE'RE
NOT CALLING
OURSELVES
THAT. NO ONE IS
EVER CALLING
THEMSELVES
THAT.

BUT I
DID A GOOD
AL PACINO,
RIGHT?

I'LL
GIVE YOU
THAT.

HOO-
AHH!

BRATT

PKOW

CHOOM

TOKK

POOMF

HM. WE'VE
LET THEM GET
FAR ENOUGH.
I'M ENDING
THIS.

TIME TO
ROLL OUT OUR
BIG-TICKET
ITEM.

OH,
BOTHER.

I THOUGHT
WE WERE
SAVING THAT FOR
A SPECIAL
OCCASION.

BLAME OUR
UNINVITED GUESTS.
I'LL MAKE THE FINAL
PREPARATIONS.

IN THE
MEANTIME,
LOOK TO YOUR
PEOPLE.

DON'T
WORRY, DEAR.
I'LL REMIND THEM
OF THEIR
PLACE.

CITIZENS OF
SYMKARIA, MY
LOYAL SUBJECTS,
OUR SOVEREIGN
NATION IS UNDER
ATTACK.

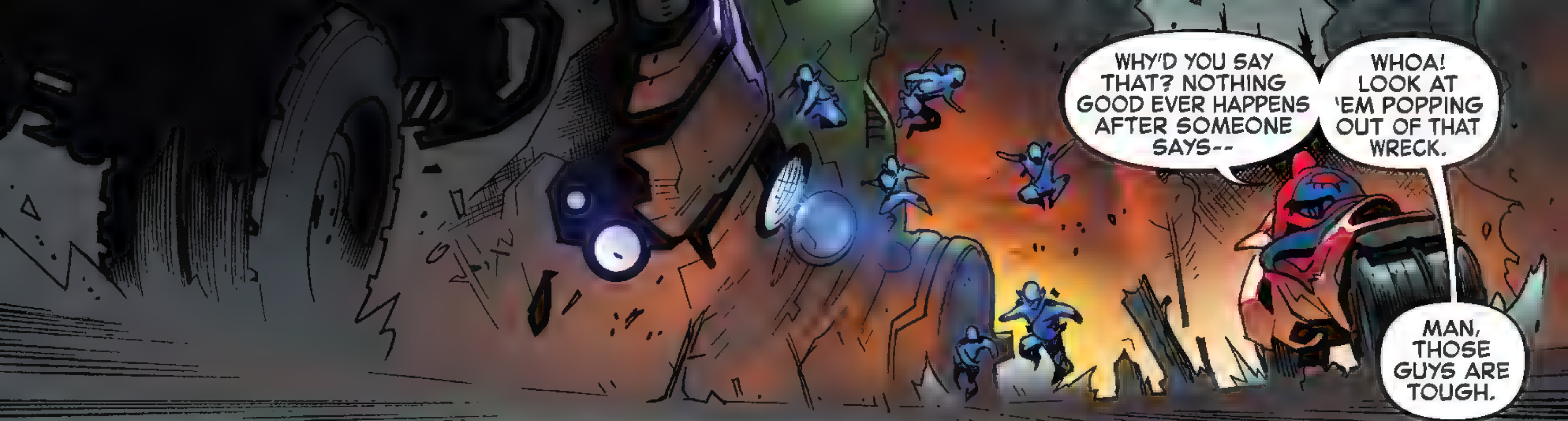
GATHER
YOUR LOVED
ONES, THE OLD AND
THE YOUNG, YOUR
BROTHERS AND
SISTERS...

...SEEK
SHELTER, LOCK
YOURSELVES IN,
NICE AND SAFE. LEAVE
NO ONE BEHIND. AND
STEER CLEAR OF
THESE FOREIGN
AGGRESSORS.

REMEMBER,
MY DEARS,
YOU ARE THE
LIFEBLOOD OF
SYMKARIA...

...AND OUR
COUNTRY'S MOST
PRECIOUS
RESOURCE.

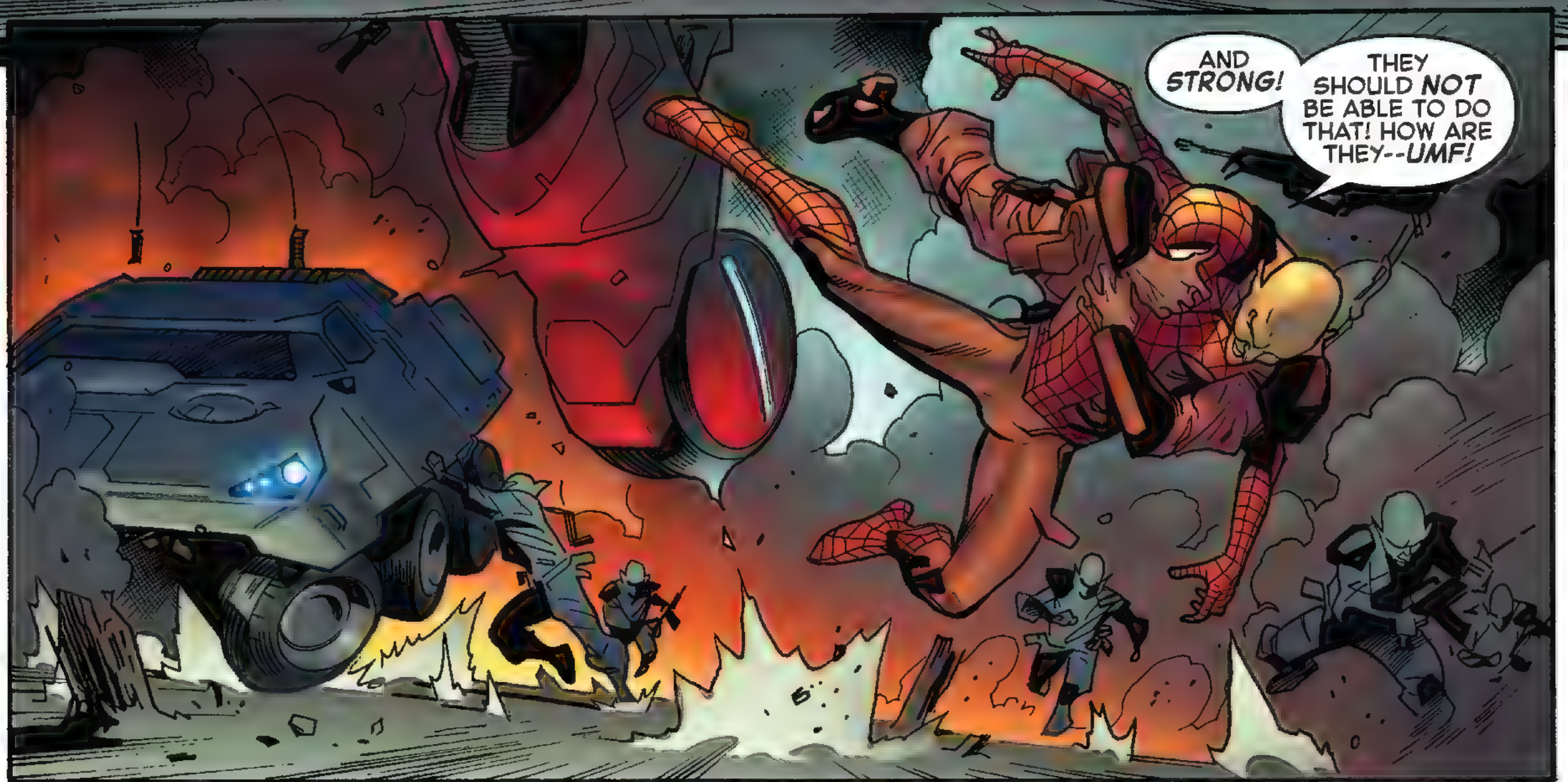




WHY'D YOU SAY THAT? NOTHING GOOD EVER HAPPENS AFTER SOMEONE SAYS--

WHOA! LOOK AT 'EM POPPING OUT OF THAT WRECK.

MAN, THOSE GUYS ARE TOUGH.



AND STRONG!

THEY SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO THAT! HOW ARE THEY--UMF!



HEH HEH!

WHAT? YOU THINK THIS IS FUNNY?



DON'T MAKE ME! I WILL WIPE THAT GRIN RIGHT OFF YOUR--



NO! THEY'RE NOT JUST SUITS! THEY'RE FULL ON GOBLINS!

OSBORN, WHAT'VE YOU DONE?!



MY GOBLIN SERUM.

YOU WERE ALWAYS MY GREATEST INVENTION.

AND SINCE I'VE BEEN FREE TO STUDY YOU CLOSER, I HAVE PERFECTED YOU.

FOR YEARS A TRUE SUPER-SOLDIER SERUM HAS BEEN THE HOLY GRAIL...

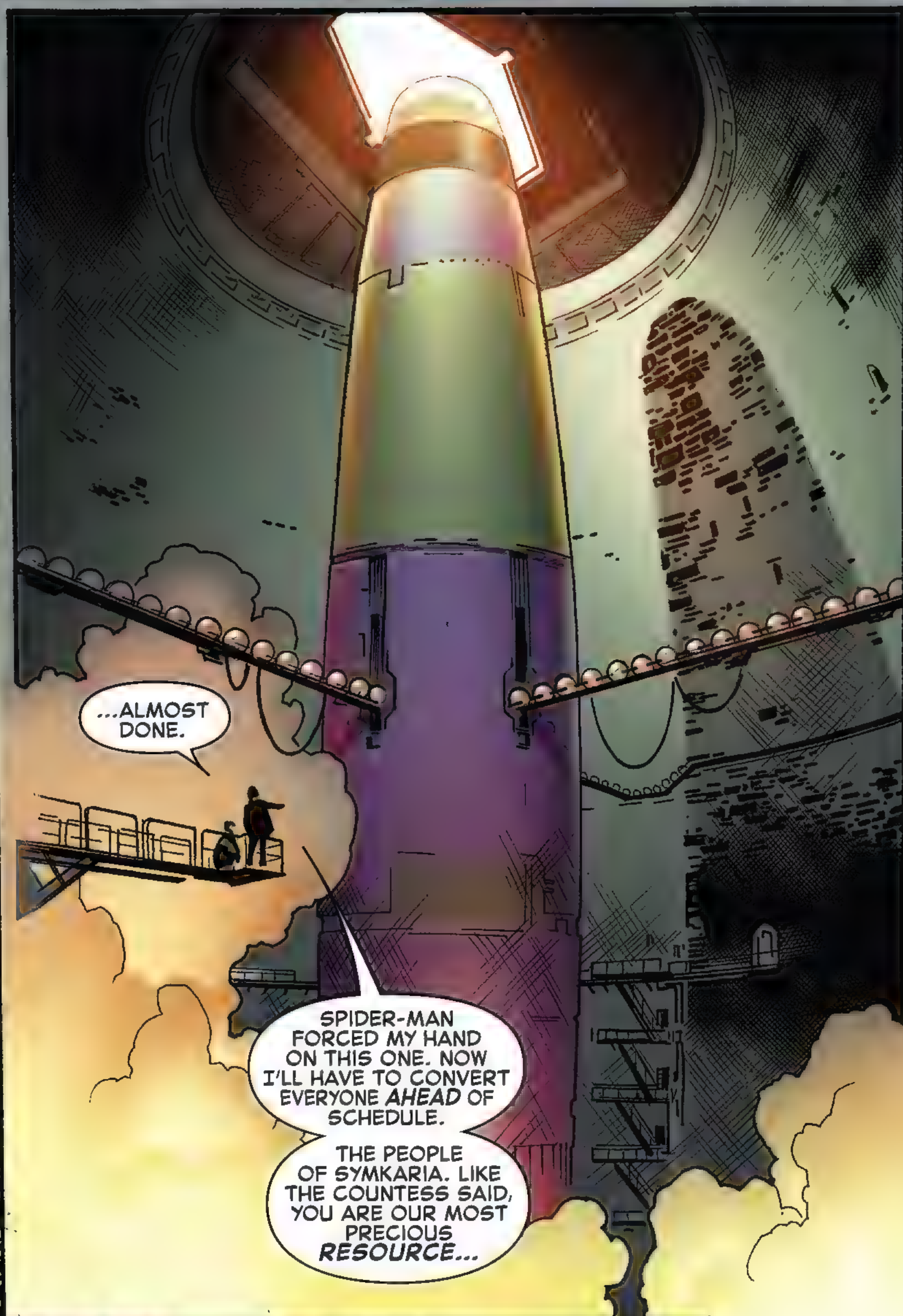


...BUT WHY JUST EMPOWER SOMEONE, WHY ONLY MAKE THEM SUPER?

A GOOD SOLDIER FOLLOWS ORDERS, THEY HEED THEIR MASTER'S WILL. ISN'T THAT RIGHT, DOCTOR?

I'M SURE YOU, OF ALL PEOPLE, UNDERSTOOD MY FINAL USE FOR YOU--MEDICAL TESTING.

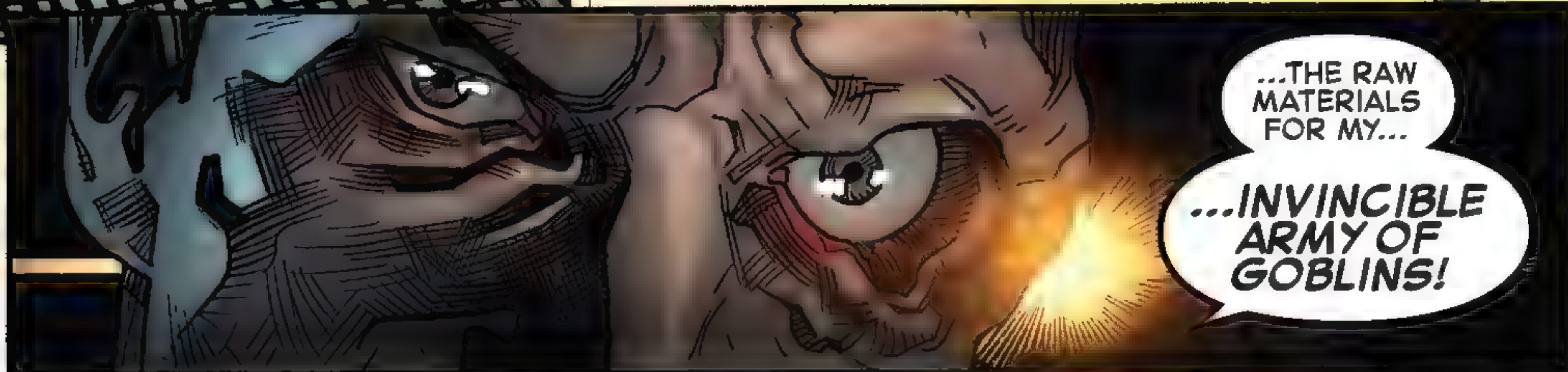
COME ALONG...



...ALMOST DONE.

SPIDER-MAN FORCED MY HAND ON THIS ONE. NOW I'LL HAVE TO CONVERT EVERYONE AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

THE PEOPLE OF SYMKARIA. LIKE THE COUNTESS SAID, YOU ARE OUR MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE...



...THE RAW MATERIALS FOR MY...

...INVINCIBLE ARMY OF GOBLINS!

TO BE CONTINUED...

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

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Uh-oh. Symkaria is in rough shape, huh? As far as Spider-Man villains go, you can't beat Norman Osborn. Terrifying, gross, awesome. I hope you enjoyed this issue and what it's done to Norman as much as I did!

How do you like living in a Stuart Immonen era of AMAZING SPIDER-MAN? Pretty great, right? He, Wade, and Marte make a great art team and Dan and I feel ridiculously lucky to have them on board! If you haven't read Stuart's past work on AVENGERS or ALL-NEW X-MEN or ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN or (cue the theme song) NEXTWAVE, get to your local comic shop and demand them!

ONE MORE RECOMMENDATION! Many of you may know the name of famed animator Hayao Miyazaki, but not all of you have seen his masterpiece *Castle Of Cagliostro*. It was really hard to get a hold of for a long time but was recently released on Blu-Ray (thanks to John Lasseter and the folks at Disney Animation). I just saw it for the first time this week and **IT IS THE BEST! RUN AND WATCH IT!** Now, on to your letters!

Hello, Spider-Men of the Marvel Universe team.

I have three questions, but first a backstory: I am 13 years old and me and my dad have been collecting Marvel comics for a long time. My dad thinks Spider-Man is too much of a smart donkey but I think he's great. Now on to the questions:

1. Is the Superior Octopus going to have his own comic?
2. Are we going to see how Silver Sable is alive?
3. What is CLONE CONSPIRACY: OMEGA gonna be about?

Also I love the covers that Alex

Ross is doing, they look so real!

Sincerely,
Your friendly web-head,
Gabe J.

GABE! Thanks for the letter. Thanks to you and your dad for your comics love and I hope you convince him to try an issue of ASM every now and then. And isn't Alex AMAZING?! To answer your questions: 1) Too soon to say! First pick up AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #29 for the kickoff of our SECRET EMPIRE tie-in where Superior Ock is going to make Spider-Man's life hell! 2) You just read how Sable is alive. What did you think? 3.) It came out MONTHS ago. GO GET IT!

Hi Nick and the rest of the Spidey team,

I really liked AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #25, I thought it portrayed the character of Peter Parker much better than previous issues of the series. I'm a huge fan of Slott and am happy to see a great Spidey book with his name on it. I just have one question after finishing CLONE CONSPIRACY: In the first issue who is the mysterious figure seen behind a tree when Pete and Anna Maria are leaving Jerry Salteres' home? It could be a character we see later on and I'm just not connecting the dots or it could be a character Slott is planning on using in the future. If the latter is the case I hope it's the real Carrion. I'm a little disappointed that Carrion virus was a huge topic during the event but the real deal never actually showed up. Regardless I'm really excited for what this new arc will bring for Spidey and am also ready to see Doc Ock during SECRET EMPIRE.

From,
Sean

Thanks for writing in, Sean. That shadowy figure in CLONE CONSPIRACY #1 was Kaine in

his Carrioned-out form!

I've never written to a comics publisher before, even though I've been reading comics since before the first issue of FANTASTIC FOUR. I finally have a question/comment worth the effort.

PLEASE tell me that Alex Ross intentionally created an homage to the Doc Savage paperback covers with the art for AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #25. That is one of the finest pieces of cover art I've ever seen.

Randy H. Smith
Hermitage, TN

Randy! Two raves for Alex Ross in one letter column... it's not enough for how great he is! You're correct that the cover to ASM #25 was an homage, but it was to the John Romita and Harry Rosenbaum SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #2 cover. I called John Romita (one of the perks of being Spider-Editor) and he confirmed that the composition came from his imagination and not a paperback!

Hey Spider-Team,

I have been a Spider-Man fan since my dad gave me my first comic when I was 6 years old. It started my fascination with the character and I've been a fan ever since. Now, I am enjoying passing this on to my son Ethan. His room has a super hero theme, but Spider-Man is obviously his favorite.

It was awesome that the new issue of AMAZING came out the week he was born! He has already visited our local comic shop Alter Ego in Marion, Iowa, to stock up on Wednesdays.

I've really enjoyed reading through all the Spider-Man titles over the years and look forward to sharing this with him. Thanks again, Spider-Team, for keeping Spider-Man the best super hero

and an amazing role model for my son.

Jared S.



Congrats to you and your family, Jared. Ethan is beautiful. What a lucky dad and what a lucky son. WOO HOO!!!

Dear Spider-fans,
Hi! I'm a subscriber to AMAZING SPIDER-MAN, and I wanted to ask you guys a couple of quick questions:
• When will Scorpio return? After SECRET EMPIRE?
• I know this is probably confidential, but will AMAZING SPIDER-MAN return to legacy numbering? Thanks!

Nicholas

Hello, fellow Nicholas! Thanks for subscribing and being such a faithful fan! To answer your questions: 1) Yes, Scorpio will be returning sometime after SECRET EMPIRE! 2) You'll have to wait and see what our numerological plans are!

Dear WebHeads,
I am 39 years old and have been reading Spider-Man comics since as far back as I can remember. I actually have been on a mission the last few years to re-read all my old Spider-Man comics (starting with the '90s CLONE SAGA) and I finally just caught up with Volume 4, Issue 25 (phew!). I must say... Dan Slott...YOU ARE THE BEST WEB-SPINNER OF ALL TIME!!!
I have to admit, I have been harboring a grudge against Mr. Slott over the last few years for not allowing Spidey and MJ to get

back together again. MJ was MY first crush and I wanted them back together at all costs. Then, you had the audacity to put MJ and that jerk Tony Stark together and I was ready to tear what's left of my hair out!

But, then I met a woman named Mockingbird and in Issue 25 something clicked. With Mockingbird, Spidey has a true partner to battle his foes with side-by-side and I couldn't be more excited about it! I'm no fool and realize that the ol' Parker luck will spell certain disaster for poor Mockingbird...but...for the time being I'm happy for Spidey that he has someone to share his life with and I hope you guys develop that relationship a little bit more before you destroy Spidey's life all over again. Spiders have feelings too!!!
Finally, kudos for wrapping up a clone storyline in just a few issues! Having grown up with the disaster of the '90s CLONE SAGA, I actually really enjoyed the Slott-twist you put on an old story. I especially liked seeing the Jackal as a lackey to Ben Reilly...that was awesome!!

Keep up the great work!
Until Spidey gets rid of the Green Goblin once and for all, M.M.M.!
Sincerely,
Christopher M. Davidson,
Esq., LL.M.

I OBJECT! Not really, but when such an esteemed legal eagle writes in one can't help oneself. Glad you're liking Spidey and Mockingbird's flirtation. KEEP READING!

Dear Spider-Nick,
Just when I thought that ASM would have a hard time maintaining momentum after CLONE CONSPIRACY ended... NOPE! Dan Slott has not lost awesome ideas and Stuart Immonen is rockin' it! Looks like it's just going to get better and better!
I love where this is going! Peter + Bobbi? SOLD! So many fun moments from issue #25! Can't wait for the next one!

Your Spider-friend from the Philippines,
JIGGY CRUZ

Hey Spidey Crew!
My girlfriend Brittany and I are both big fans of the web head so over the weekend I proposed to her during our cosplay photoshoot. My friend Jayce (Photosnxs on Facebook) was able to snap this

shot and she said yes! I thought you guys would get a kick out of it, I like to consider this a happier alternative for Peter and Gwen. Keep on rocking!

Jonathan C.
Raleigh, NC



SO ADORABLE!!! Congrats, you two crazy kids. Great pic, great costumes! YAY!!! It'll be tough to top this picture.

This is my dog, Peter Parker. I would love to see him in my favorite super hero's book. Thank you.

Josh Crutchfield Jr.



Aaaand, you did it. SPIDER-DOG!!! AHHHHHH!!! AMAZING!!! Nothing I can say can top that. Except maybe this: join Stuart, Dan, Wade, Marte, and the rest of us next month for the concussive conclusion of the OSBORN IDENTITY!

Keep on webbing!

NICK

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